

CITY OF WHITE SALMON CITY HALL OFFICE

Date:

July 19, 2023

To:

Klickitat County: Assessor, Treasurer, Engineer, Environmental Health.

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Washington State Department of Ecology

Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife

Washington State Department of Natural Resources

Washington State Department of Archaeological & Historic Preservation

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From:

City of White Salmon Planning Department

Subject:

SEPA Determination of Non-significance (DNS)

For City of White Salmon, File #WS-SEPA-2023.003

Notice of SEPA Comment Period

Notice of SEPA Appeal Period

Notice of Public Hearing

Enclosed is a Determination of Non-significance (DNS) for the DRAFT "Lite" Transportation System Plan (TSP). The City proposes adopting its TSP as a guiding document that identifies projects, programs, and policies to meet White Salmon's transportation needs and explores different funding mechanisms and strategies for implementation. A copy of the draft plan documents may be requested at City Hall.

This DNS is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2), and the comment period will end on August 2, 2023. Comments can be submitted by mail to City of White Salmon (PO Box 2139, White Salmon WA 98672), in person at City Hall's Dropbox (100 N. Main), or by email correspondence at Erikac@ci.white-salmon.wa.us. Per the White Salmon Municipal Code 18.20.170 - Environmental Protection (SEPA review) Appeal, any agency or person may appeal this DNS to the city council. The proponent or any aggrieved party may perfect such appeal by giving notice to the responsible official within ten days of the decision being appealed. Appeals shall not be deemed complete without payment of the appeal fees applicable, payable to the City of White Salmon. Appeals must be filed by August 2, 2023.

A public hearing regarding the DRAFT "Lite" Transportation System Plan (with a virtual/telephonic attendance option) will be held during the Planning Commission meeting on Wednesday, August 9, 2023, at 5:30 PM. The hearing will be in the City Council Chambers (119 NE Church). Those interested may attend the meeting and provide oral comments at the August 9 meeting. Zoom Meeting ID: 854 3562 4821. If you have questions about the August 9 meeting, please contact White Salmon City Hall at (509) 493-1133.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

SEPA DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS)

Environmental Checklist No: WS-SEPA-2023.003

Description of Proposal: The DRAFT "Lite" Transportation System Plan (TSP). The City proposes adopting its TSP as a guiding document that identifies projects, programs, and policies to meet White Salmon's transportation needs and explores different funding mechanisms and strategies for implementation. This is a non-project proposal. The TSP was developed to be compatible with existing and projected transportation and roadway plans, as well as existing City development standards. Development projects proposed within the City's rights-of-way must conform with the City's TSP, White Salmon Municipal Code, and all other applicable local, state, and federal regulations.

The proposed "Lite" Transportation System Plan (TSP) is currently under review and local adoption is anticipated in August 2023. The application was determined to be completed on July 14, 2023.

Proponent:

City of White Salmon

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White Salmon, WA 98672

Lead agency:

City of White Salmon Planning Department

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The City of White Salmon has determined that this proposal will not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). After reviewing a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency, this decision was made. This information is available to the public upon request.

This determination is based on the following findings and conclusions: The entire extent of this project would occur within roadways, right-of-way, and previously disturbed areas. There are no planned disturbances to sensitive areas such as wetlands, waterbodies, sensitive ecological areas, or areas with known historical/archaeological features.

Comment Period: Comments received until August 2, 2023, at 5 PM

Appeal Period Ends: August 2, 2023, at 5 PM

Notice of Public Hearing: Planning Commission Meeting August 9, 2023, at 5:30 PM

Responsible Official: Troy Rayburn

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DATED this 10th day of July 2023

Troy Rayburn

City Administrator and SEPA Responsible Official